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# NEWS

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**Editors/photographers:** Eastern Illinois University presents its "Highlights of the Week Ahead" calendar listing for potential story/photo opportunities and a contact person. If you need assistance making arrangements for an interview/photo, please call Eastern's Public Affairs Office at 581-5983.

## "EIU HIGHLIGHTS"

April 6 - April 12

- 6 Play.** The last chance to see "**Slow Dance on the Killing Ground**" is at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center's Studio. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$6 for EIU staff, senior citizens and children, and \$3.50 for EIU students with ID. For tickets or for more information, call the University Theatre Ticket Office at 581-3110.

Reception. The **Graduate Art Exhibition Opening Reception** will be held from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesday at the Tarble Arts Center. The reception will celebrate the culmination of two semesters of concentrated study and effort with the artists participating in the exhibition -- students currently pursuing their Master of Arts degrees in Studio Art. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Tarble Arts Center at 581-2787.

- 7 Workshop.** Michele Melvin of Eastern's Counseling Center and W. Parker Melvin of Eastern's music department will present "**Performance Anxiety: Characteristics, Causes, Overcoming It!**" at 7 p.m. Monday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Charleston/Mattoon Room. The workshop will teach the facts needed to understand and overcome anxiety to achieve optimal performance. The free workshop is open to the public. For more information, call the Counseling Center at 581-3413.

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- 8** Presentation. Eastern's Career Services will hold a **Teacher Placement Day Orientation** from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Effingham Room. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, call Career Services at 581-2412.

**Lecture.** The 1997 **Arts-In-Education artist-in-residence, Nancy Vachon**, will present a **slide lecture** on her mixed media paper and artist's book pieces at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Tarble Arts Center. The lecture is free and open to the public. For more information, call the Tarble Arts Center at 581-2787.

- 9** Music. The **Blenders Acapella Group** will perform at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Grand Ballroom. For more information, call the University Board at 581-5117.

- 10** **Speaker. Mercedes Lynn de Uriarte** will speak as part of both Eastern's Women's History and Awareness Month celebration and Journalism Month at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Booth Library Lecture Hall. In her talk, "**The Gerber Baby Heads South: Constructed Identity Across the Century**," Uriarte, a Yale Ph.D. and associate professor of journalism, American studies and Latin American studies at the University of Texas, will explore the history and sociology of media as it constructs Latin American identities. The speech is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Lauren Smith at 581-6294.

- 11** **Speaker. Maggie Balough** will speak as part of both Eastern's Women's History and Awareness Month celebration and Journalism Month at noon Friday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Effingham Room. Balough is the **editor of "The Quill: Magazine of the Society of Professional Journalists."** The speech is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Lauren Smith at 581-6294.

**Bingo.** The University Board Special Events Committee will host bingo at 9 p.m. Friday in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union Rathskeller. For more information, call the University Board Office at 581-5117.

**Opera.** Eastern will present its **Music Theatre Opera Performance** at 7:30 p.m. Friday in the Doudna Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$3 for students with ID and \$5 for the general public. For more information, call the music department at 581-3010.

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**Workshop.** Program officer Dennis Kolinski will conduct two open sessions -- one at 9:30 a.m. and one at 2 p.m. Friday in the Tarble Arts Center -- on **how organizations can apply for grant funding from the Illinois Humanities Council.** The sessions are free and open to the public. Individual sessions are also available by appointment. For more information or an appointment, contact Eastern's Office of Grants and Research at 581-2125.

### **Tarble Arts Center**

Nancy Vachon's solo exhibition, *Journeys: Explorations and Discoveries*, will be on display through April 20 in the Brainard Gallery of the Tarble Arts Center. Vachon is the Tarble's 1997 Arts-in-Education residency artist. Her work includes 20 pieces of handmade paper and mixed media. Included are two-dimensional wall pieces and one-of-a-kind artist's books. Vachon holds an MFA in printmaking and papermaking and a BFA in painting and printmaking from Memphis State University, and has studied paper and book arts abroad, including two trips to Japan, Indonesia and China.

**The 1997 Graduate Art Exhibition** will be on view through April 27 at the Tarble Arts Center. The exhibition serves as a group thesis show for students currently pursuing an MA degree in Studio Art. Making up this year's exhibition are landscape oil paintings on panel by John Anderson; dreamscapes that include both oil on panel or canvas and oil on hand-built ceramic forms by Kelly Price; sculpture and paintings by Kyle La Fever; oil paintings by Michael Babcock; abstract sculpture by Michael Wsol; welded sculpture by Dylan Ethan Collins; woven garments by Tara Bartolomucci; and metal forms by Daniel Trutter.